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No. 293.—The following errata which have been observed in the Rules under Section 17 of the Indian Arms Act XI of 1878, framed by the Government of India, Foreign Department, in Notification No. 28 I. P., dated 7th January 1880, and re-published at page 23 of Part I of the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 24th idem, are notified for general information :—

In Rule 12, *for* "Rule 9" *read* "Rule 10."
In Rule 16, *for* "Rules 7 and 9" *read* "Rules 8 and 10."
and *for* "Rule 11" *read* "Rule 13."
In Rule 17, *for* "Rules 9 and 12," *read* "Rules 10 and 13."
In Rule 20, *for* "Rule 9 or 10" *read* "Rule 10 or 11."
In heading of Form VI, appended to the Notification, *for* "Arms," *read* "Fire Arms."

The 14th February 1880.

No. 294.—B. Ramasamaiengar, Munsiff and 3rd Class Magistrate, Yelahanka, is directed, under the proviso to Section 335 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to take down the evidence of complainants and witnesses with his own hand in the English language.

The 18th February 1880.

No. 295.—Mr. G. A. Watts, Assistant Apothecary, Shimoga District, officiated for Surgeon P. H. Benson, M. B., Civil Surgeon, Nagar Division, from 29th December 1879 to 12th January 1880, both days inclusive.

By Order,

W. J. CUNINGHAM,
Secretary.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATIONS.

The 29th January 1880.

No. 59.—Notice is hereby given that the undermentioned Forests and Plantations in the Nundydroog Division are closed for the hot season, from the 1st proximo, and sportsmen are not allowed to enter them except under special permission from the Assistant Conservator :—

Forests.	*Taluk.*
Bilikalbetta	Kankanhalli.
Raghalli	Anekal.
Savandurga	Magadi.
Devaraydurga	Túmkúr.
Nandi Forest	Chikballapur, &c.
Maddagiri	Maddagiri.
Plantations.	
Kadgodi, Jadigenhalli, Nelal, Apsandra.	Hoskote.
Marsandra, Kurandhalli	Malur.
Karapanhalli Fuel Reserve and Bengamur	Betmangala.
Chik Hosaradi, Dod Hosaradi	Devanhalli.
Kumbalgud Fuel Reserve	Magadi.

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MYSORE OPIUM RULES.

The 4th February 1880.

No. 64.—In exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 5 and 13 of the "Opium Act I of 1878," the Chief Commissioner has made the following Rules, which have received the sanction of the Governor General in Council, and are now published as required by the Act. They apply to the whole of the Territories administered by the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, and shall come into force from the 1st April 1880 :—

Interpretation-clause.

I.—In these Rules, unless there be something repugnant in the subject or context,—

(1) "Chief Commissioner" means the Chief Commissioner of Mysore :

(2) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Revenue for the Division :

(3) "Deputy Commissioner" means the Deputy Commissioner of a District, including any Assistant Commissioner duly authorized by a Deputy Commissioner to exercise all or any of the powers or duties conferred or imposed on a Deputy Commissioner by these Rules :

(4) "Farmer" means a person who has obtained a farm from the Deputy Commissioner under Rule XVII :

(5) "Licensed vendor" means a person who has obtained a license for the sale of opium by retail under Rule XIV or XVIII :

(6) "The sale of opium by retail" means the sale of any quantity of opium not exceeding three tolas. Any other sale is a wholesale sale :

(7) "Medical practitioner" means a person to whom a special license has been granted under Rule VII :

(8) The word "Opium" has the meaning assigned to it in the Opium Act I of 1878, except that it does not include "poppy-heads" :

(9) "Poppy-heads" means the dry capsules of the poppy plant :

(10) The words "Import," "Export," and "Transport" have the respective meanings assigned to them in the Opium Act I of 1878.

Cultivation.

II.—The cultivation of the poppy under special licenses granted with the permission of the Chief Commissioner in very exceptional cases, and under such conditions and restrictions as the Chief Commissioner may consider necessary, is permitted.

Manufacture.

III.—The manufacture of preparations or admixtures of opium by a licensed vendor for retail sale, or for wholesale sale to another licensed vendor, or to a medical practitioner, is permitted.

Possession.

IV.—Any person may have in his possession three tolas of opium, provided that such opium has been purchased from the Government or from a farmer, licensed vendor, or medical practitioner.

V.—The possession of more than three tolas of opium by a farmer, licensed vendor, or medical practitioner is permitted.

VI.—With the sanction of the Commissioner, the Deputy Commissioner may specially authorize the possession by any person of a quantity of opium not exceeding one seer.

VII.—The Deputy Commissioner may grant to any medical practitioner residing within his district a special license in Form I appended to these Rules, or in such other form as may from time to time be prescribed by the Chief Commissioner for the possession of opium, and the sale of opium by retail for medical purposes only : Provided that such medical practitioner shall not have in his possession at one time more than one seer of opium.

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Transport.

VIII.—When a farmer or licensed vendor desires to transport opium, he shall obtain for each consignment a pass from the Deputy Commissioner in such form as the Chief Commissioner may from time to time prescribe.

The pass shall specify—

(1) the time within which the transport must be effected ;
(2) the place from which the consignment is to be transported ;
(3) the name of the person in charge of the consignment ;
(4) the name of the consignee ;
(5) the number of packages, and the weight and contents of each ; and
(6) the place to which the consignment is to be transported.

Each package in every such consignment shall be stamped by, or in the presence of, the officer granting the pass, with his official seal.

IX.—The bulk of a consignment shall not be broken during transport.

X.—The Deputy Commissioner may, at his discretion, or under orders from the Commissioner, make it a condition of the pass that the bulk of the consignment for which it is granted shall not be broken after arrival at its destination as specified in the pass, until after the consignment shall have been examined by an officer deputed or authorized by the Deputy Commissioner for that purpose: Provided that such examination shall be made within seven days from the date on which the Deputy Commissioner is informed of the arrival of the consignment.

XI.—If any officer competent to exercise the powers of seizure, detention and search under Sections 14 and 15 of the Opium Act, finds that the packages are fewer, or the amount of opium less (by more than the dryage allowance of one-quarter per cent) than the number or amount specified in the pass, he shall immediately report the circumstances to the Deputy Commissioner, who will decide whether a prosecution shall, or shall not, be instituted.

Import.

XII.—The import of opium on account of Government is permitted on the condition—

(*a*) that the opium is covered by a pass granted by the Opium Agent at Indore ;
(*b*) that an import duty of not less than the amount payable on opium passed for export by sea from Bombay has been levied on each chest of opium for which a pass is required.

Sale.

XIII.—Opium in quantities of not less than one seer shall, on pre-payment at such rates as the Chief Commissioner may from time to time prescribe by Notification in the *Mysore Gazette*, be supplied by the Deputy Commissioner to any farmer, licensed vendor, or medical practitioner. No opium shall be sold by wholesale or retail which has not been bought from the Deputy Commissioner or from a licensed vendor. No opium shall be sold wholesale, except under special order from a Deputy Commissioner, or as next hereinafter provided. A licensed vendor or farmer may sell any quantity of opium to another licensed vendor or farmer, and a quantity not exceeding one seer of opium, to a medical practitioner.

XIV.—Licenses for the sale of opium by retail may be granted by the Deputy Commissioner with the previous sanction of the Commissioner. Such limited number of shops for the retail vend of opium as the Commissioner may from time to time decide shall be allowed, in each district, and the monopoly of retail vend at such shops shall be sold for such fee as the Chief Commissioner may fix, or put up to auction at the commencement of each official year. The shops shall be disposed of singly or in groups as the Deputy Commissioner shall direct.

XV.—Licenses for the sale of opium by retail shall be in Form II appended to these Rules, or in such other form as may from time to time be prescribed by the Chief Commissioner.

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XVI.—Licenses for the sale of opium by retail shall be granted for one year only; unless the Chief Commissioner shall otherwise specifically direct.

XVII.—With the sanction of the Commissioner, the Deputy Commissioner may farm the duties leviable on the sale of opium by retail, for a term not exceeding two years, and, with the sanction of the Chief Commissioner, for a term not exceeding five years. The Chief Commissioner may prescribe conditions subject to the provisions herein contained—

(*a*) for the invitation and acceptance of tenders for the farm of such duties;

(*b*) as to the form and conditions of the leases; and

(*c*) for the requisition of security for the due fulfilment of the engagements entered into by the farmers.

Any breach of such engagement shall, over and above any other penalty, subject the lease to annulment by the authority by whom the farm was granted.

XVIII.—When such duties are farmed, the farmer may issue licenses for the manufacture and sale of opium by retail within the limits of his farm. Such licenses shall be countersigned by the Deputy Commissioner, and shall then have the force of a license issued by the Deputy Commissioner in Form II, and shall contain Conditions 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8 of Form II annexed to these Rules, and may be cancelled at the discretion of the Deputy Commissioner for the breach of any of these conditions.

XIX.—Before entering into engagement for the farm of such duties, the Deputy Commissioner may, with the sanction of the Commissioner, make such reservations or restrictions with respect to the grant of licenses by the farmer as he thinks fit.

XX.—Every farmer shall file in the Deputy Commissioner's Office in such form as may from time to time be prepared by the Commissioner a list of all licenses granted by him.

XXI. With the sanction of the Chief Commissioner obtained through the Commissioner, the Deputy Commissioner may cancel any lease granted under Rule XVII, or may, within the period of such lease, impose any new reservation and restriction on the farmer.

XXII.—If a lease be cancelled for any cause other than a breach of the engagements entered into by the farmer, or if any reservation or restriction with respect of the grant of licenses be imposed under Rule XXI during the lease, the Chief Commissioner may award to the farmer compensation for any loss thereby caused to him.

XXIII.—If any licensed vendor or farmer shall, on the expiry of his license or farm, have in his possession any opium which he is unable to dispose of to the satisfaction of the Deputy Commissioner by private sale to other licensed vendors or farmers, he shall surrender the same to the Deputy Commissioner; and the incoming licensed vendor or farmer, or, if the expired license or farm is not renewed, any licensed vendor or farmer within the district, shall, when required by the Deputy Commissioner, be bound to purchase the opium aforesaid to the extent of two months' supply at such price, and in such quantities, as the Deputy Commissioner shall adjudge: Provided that the price of the articles thus adjudged shall in no case exceed the rate at which opium can be procured from the Government; provided also that if such opium be declared by the Civil Surgeon to be unfit for use, the Deputy Commissioner shall cause the same to be destroyed.

General.

XXIV.—Except where otherwise especially provided in the foregoing Rules, the possession, transport, import, or sale of opium by, or on behalf of, the Government shall be unrestricted.

XXV.—The possession, transport, import, or sale of poppy-heads is permitted.

Disposal of things confiscated.

XXVI.—Opium confiscated under the "Opium Act I of 1878" shall be examined by the Civil Surgeon, and, if declared by him to be fit for use, shall be sent to the nearest Government Treasury, and be disposed of as the Commissioner may direct. If declared to be unfit for use, it shall be immediately destroyed.

XXVII.—All property other than opium which is confiscated under the said Act shall be sold under the orders of the Magistrate or other officer by whom the confiscation was adjudged.

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Rewards.

XXVIII.—Any Magistrate convicting an offender under Section 9, or any Magistrate or other authorized officer ordering the confiscation of opium under Section 12 of the "Opium Act I of 1878," may grant a reward, not exceeding the value of the opium confiscated, plus the amount of any fine realized, in such proportions as he may think fit, to any person or persons who have contributed to the seizure of the opium or the conviction of the offender.

XXIX.—If in any case the fine or forfeiture is not realized, the Deputy Commissioner may sanction such reasonable reward, not exceeding the amount of the fine and forfeiture, as may seem appropriate. The Chief Commissioner may also, by general order, declare what classes of Excise officers shall receive rewards, and what classes shall have no title to share therein.

FORMS.

I.—Special license to Medical Practitioner under Rule VII.

Special license granted to following the profession of at in the District of for the sale of opium by retail, on the condition that the said shall not have in his possession at one time more than one seer of opium, and that such opium shall be procured from the Deputy Commissioner's Office, or a licensed vendor or farmer, and shall be used *bonâ fide* as medicine or in medical preparations or prescriptions.

DISTRICT.
DATED.

II.—License for the sale of Opium by retail (general.)

District,—
No. of license in register,—
Name of vendor,—
Locality of shop,—
Be it known that——, resident of township or village, district of is hereby authorized by the Deputy Commissioner of to sell opium by retail and wholesale, under the provisions of Rule XIII* of the Mysore Opium Rules, to another licensed vendor, or to a medical practitioner licensed under Rule VII† of those Rules, at in from the date of this license to the day of 18 upon the following conditions :—

* XIII.—Opium in quantities of not less than one seer shall, on pre-payment at such rates as the Chief Commissioner may from time to time prescribe by Notification in the *Mysore Gazette*, be supplied by the Deputy Commissioner to any farmer, licensed vendor, or medical practitioner. No opium shall be sold by wholesale or retail which has not been bought from the Deputy Commissioner or from a licensed vendor. No opium shall be sold wholesale except under a special order from a Deputy Commissioner, or as next hereinafter provided. A licensed vendor or farmer may sell any quantity of opium to another licensed vendor or farmer, and a quantity not exceeding one seer of opium to a medical practitioner.

† VII.—The Deputy Commissioner may grant to any medical practitioner residing within his district a special license in Form I appended to these Rules, or in such other form as may from time to time be prescribed by the Chief Commissioner for the possession of opium, and the sale of opium by retail for medical purposes only : Provided that such medical practitioner shall not have in his possession at one time more than one seer of opium.

1. That he shall pay to Government a quarterly duty of

2. That he shall not receive any wearing apparel or other goods in barter for opium.

3. That he shall not open his shop, or make sales therein, before sunrise ; that he shall not keep it open, or make sales therein, after 9 P. M.; and that he shall not harbour any person therein during the night.

4. That he shall not permit persons of notoriously bad character to resort to his shop ; that he shall prevent gaming and disorderly conduct therein ; and that he shall give information to the nearest Magistrate or Police officer of any suspected person who may resort to his shop.

5. That he shall have constantly fixed up, at the entrance of his shop, a signboard bearing the following inscription, in legible characters, in the vernacular language :—

(Name of Vendor).

"Licensed to sell opium by retail."

6. That if he buy less than , which is the quantity estimated to be sold by retail in each month, he shall, if required, explain the reason of the falling-off to the Deputy Commissioner.

4. Candidates must pay to the officers, from whom they obtain the form of application, the prescribed fee, a receipt for which will be given separately, and also on the face of the form which is supplied to them. The fee must be paid in every case without exception, and will not be returned under any circumstances.

5. No candidate will be admitted to the examination at any other place than that named in his or her application, and the place so named should be the nearest examining station to the candidate's school or permanent place of residence. To prevent mistakes, candidates should submit their applications direct to the Collector of the district in which the station at mhich they desire to be examined is situated.

6. Every male candidate must be examined in six, and in not more than six; and every female candidate in five, and in not more than five, of the following branches. Male candidates must come up in Branches A, C and D, female candidates in Branches A or B, C and D. The choice of the remaining branches is left to the candidates :—

A. English (120 *marks*).

(*a*) Handwriting. Copying rapidly and in a good clear hand a manuscript or lithographed paper (20 marks).

(*b*) Orthography. Writing from dictation a passage from a book equal in difficulty to the Supplement to the Fourth Book (20 marks).

(*c*) Translating into the vernacular one or more passages from a book, not previously studied, equal in difficulty to Chambers' Moral Class Book (30 marks).

or, if the candidate knows no vernacular,

Paraphrasing one or more passages of poetry, not previously studied, equal in difficulty to Selections in Poetry No. I (30 marks).

(*d*) Translating a vernacular letter or easy narrative into English (30 marks),

or, if the candidate knows no vernacular,

Writing a letter on a given subject (30 marks).

(*e*) Grammar as contained in Dr. R. Morris' English Grammar (Macmillan's Primer Series), and Sullivan's attempt to simplify English Grammar, pages 1 to 120, or any similar books (20 marks).

B. Second Language (120 *marks.*)

(*a*) Handwriting. Copying rapidly and in a good clear hand a manuscript or lithographed paper (20 marks).

(*b*) Orthography. Writing from dictation (20 marks).

(*c*) Composition, such as a description of a place, an account of some useful, natural or artificial product, or the like (30 marks).

(*d*) Grammar as contained in the Grammars used in the third, lower fourth and upper fourth classes of a Government school or any others of equal difficulty (20 marks).

(*e*) Text Book.—The following or such books as may from time to time be prescribed for Government schools (30 marks) :—

Tamil.—Poetical Anthology, No. II.
Telugu.—Nala Charitram.
Malayalam—Panchatantram, Part II.
Kanarese.—Poetical Anthology published by the Basel Mission Press.
Uriya.—Ramayana, Sundra Kanda.
Hindustani.—Urdu Poetical Reader, Majmuah Sakhun, Part II, pages 1 to 30.
Persian.— Gulistan (expurgated edition), Books II and III.

C. Arithmetic (80 *marks*).

The first four Simple and Compound Rules, Reduction, Vulgar and Decimal Fractions, Simple and Compound Proportion.

(English figures must be used and the candidate must be acquainted with the principal Indian weights and measures.)

D. Geography and Indian History (100 *marks*).

(*a*) The Geography of Asia and Europe as contained in Clyde's Elementary Geography or any similar books (25 marks).

(*b*) The Geography of India as contained in Duncan's Geography of India, pages 1 to 106 or any similar book (25 marks).

(*c*) The History of India to the battle of Jubbulpore in 1817 (50 marks).

E. Mathematics (60 *marks*).

(*a*) Euclid, Book 1 (35 marks).
(*b*) Algebra to the end of Fractions (25 marks).

F. Physical Geography (60 *marks*).

Geikie's Physical Geography (Macmillan's Science Primer) or any similar book.

G. Physiology or Hygiene (60 *marks*).

(*a*) Foster's Physiology (Science Primer) or any similar book,

or

(*b*) First Lessons in Health by J. Berners, Personal care of Health by Dr. Parker, Dr. Dhanakoti Raju's Elements of Hygiene or any similar book.

H. Political Economy (60 *marks*).

Archbishop Whately's Easy Lessons on Money Matters or any similar book.

I. Agriculture (60 *marks*).

Robertson's Agricultural Class Book or any similar book.

J. English History (60 *marks*).

The History of England to the accession of Henry IV.

7. The examination will be conducted in the order of time and subjects shewn below:—

Days.	Hours.	Subjects.
First	10 ... 1	Geography and Indian History.
Do	2 ... 4	Arithmetic.
Do	4 ... 4½	English Handwriting.
Second	10 ...12½	Translation, &c., and English Grammar.
Do	12½ ... 1	English Dictation.
Do	2 ... 4	Mathematics.
Do	4 ... 4½	Handwriting in second language.
Third	10 .. 12½	Second language. Composition, Grammar, and Text Book.
Do	12½ ... 1	Do Dictation.
Do	2 ... 4	English History.
Fourth	10 ...12	Physical Geography.
Do	2 ... 4	Physiology or Hygiene.
Fifth	10 ...12	Political Economy.
Do	12 ... 4	Agriculture.

8. Marks will be deducted for bad writing and spelling in every subject. In non-language subjects however the deductions for spelling will not exceed 10 per cent of the maximum and for writing 5 per cent of the maximum number of marks for each branch.

9. Candidates who bring up English must answer the non-language papers in English. Candidates who do not bring up English may answer them in the Vernacular.

10. The candidates will be ranked in the order of proficiency, as determined by the total number of marks obtained by each, and will be arranged in two classes.

11. The first class will contain those who have obtained not less than—

(*a*) sixty per cent of the maximum marks in English Handwriting;
(*b*) one-half of the maximum marks in Branch C;
(*c*) one-third of the maximum marks in Branch A;
(*d*) one-fourth of the maximum marks in every other branch in which the candidate has been examined;
(*e*) one-half of the aggregate number of marks.

12. The second class will contain those who have obtained not less than—

(*a*) one-third of the maximum marks in English Handwriting;
(*b*) one-fourth of the maximum marks in Branches A and C;
(*c*) one-third of the aggregate number of marks.

13. Female candidates who do not bring up English will be ranked in the first class, provided they obtain not less than—

(*a*) sixty per cent of the maximum marks for Handwriting in the language selected by them;
(*b*) one-half of the maximum marks in Branch C;
(*c*) one-third of the maximum marks in Branch B;
(*d*) one-fourth of the maximum marks in every other branch in which the candidate has been examined;
(*e*) one-half of the aggregate number of marks.

14. They will be ranked in the second class provided they obtain not less than—

(*a*) one-third of the maximum marks for Handwriting in the language selected;
(*b*) one-fourth of the maximum marks in Branches B and C;
(*c*) one-third of the aggregate number of marks.

15. Certificates will be issued by the Commissioner to the passed candidates, specifying the subjects in which they have been examined and the class in which they have been placed.

16. A first class certificate will render the holder eligible, on attaining the age of 18, to appointments under Government of the value of Rupees 15 and upwards to Rupees 30 inclusive, provided that any such appointment requires a knowledge of only the language or languages in which the candidate has passed.

17. It is to be distinctly understood that the Government do not undertake to provide appointments for all persons who may pass the prescribed examinations under these rules. Appointments will, as before, be regulated by the requirements of the public service, and will be made by the same authorities as heretofore. It is likewise to be understood that it will still, as before, be open to Government, and with their sanction, to the controlling Courts and Boards whenever they see necessary to prescribe the period of service, which must be passed in one grade of appointment before promotion to a higher grade altogether irrespective of these rules.

18. In the Educational Department a first-class certificate will be accepted as equivalent to the general education test for fourth-grade schoolmasters and second-grade schoolmistresses. In the case however of candidates who have passed only in one language, the certificate will be held only equivalent to the general education test required for an imperfect certfiicate. The holder of a first-class certificate, whether perfect or imperfect, will still be required in the case of males, to pass the departmental examination in method and teaching a class, and in the case of females, in method, needlework, and teaching a class.

19. A first or second-class certificate will qualify any person for admission as a pupil into the upper department of a High School.

(By order of His Grace the Governor in Council)

C. G. MASTER,
Acting Chief Secretary.